the State-wise list attached as Statement (See below). AH efforts are being made to clear these cases early.

(c) Due importance is given to recommendations made by Members of Parliment and State Governments. Generally, the cases are sanctioned only on the recomrrsendations/verifica-tion reports of the State Governments. However, no separate lists have been maintained of cases recommended by Members of Parliament and State Governments.

Statement

Total number of applications pending as on 31-1-1987

(i) Committee Cases :

(n) Hyderabad Screening Committee cases (received in time) 2927

(b) Arya Samaj Committee cases : 992

(ii) Cases of special nature other than Committee cases 1181

TOTAL 5100

State-wise break up	
1. Andhra Pradesh	97
2. Assam	45
3. Bihar	637
4. Gujarat	4
5. Karnataka	1
6. Kerala	19
7. Madhya Pradesh	148
8. Maharashtra	89
9. Meghalaya	2
10. Tamil Nadu	2
11. Tripura	7
12. West Bengal	55
13. Chandigarh	2
14. Delhi	9
15. Goa	61
16. Pondicherry	3
	1181

Child Labour

118. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what was the number of working children in the country as on the 31st December, 1986;

(b) whether Government have formulated, a nat:onal child labour policy and a concrete action plan for working chil'd-ren; and

(c) if so, what are the salient features of this policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) According to the Planning Commission, the number of working children in the country as in March, 1985 was 17.58 million. The information regarding the number of work'ng children as on 31-12-86 is not available.

(b) and (c) The National Child Labour policy is being formulated by the Government.

Development of Tourist spots in Orissa

119. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to develop certain places of tourist attraction in Orissa as tourist resorts;

(b) if so, what are the names of the places identified for the purpose; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House *(See* below).

(c) Does not arise.